GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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FOOD PROCESSING CENTRES
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up new food processing industries / centres and Food Processing Training Centres (FPTCs) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the details of financial assistance provided to each State for setting up of food processing industries/centres and FPTCs during each of the last three years and the current year, State Wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to set up more FPTCs in order to develop entrepreneurship and transfer of technology for processing of food products?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES(SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 18 FOR 22nd FEBRUARY 2011 REGARDING FOOD PROCESSING CENTRES

(a): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries do not set up any food processing industries / centres and Food Processing Training Centres (FPTCs) on its own in the country. However, this Ministry is implementing a scheme for Technology Upgradation / Establishment / Modernization of Food Processing Industries through which the entrepreneurs are provided financial assistance to set up units in the country.

This Ministry also provides financial assistance to Central or State Government Organizations, Educational & Training Institutions, Schools and Colleges, ITIs, NGOs, Co- operatives for setting up of Food Processing Training Centres (FPTCs) in the country. The objective of the scheme is development of rural entrepreneurship and transfer of technology for processing of food products by utilizing locally grown raw material and providing "Hands-on" experience at such production cum training centres.

(b): Under the Scheme of Technology Upgradation / Establishment / Modernization of Food Processing Industries, financial assistance is provided for setting up of new food processing units as well as Technological Upgradation and Expansion of existing units in the country in the form of grant-in-aid @ 25% of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs. 50.00 lakhs in general areas and @33.33% subject to a maximum of Rs. 75.00 lakhs in difficult areas such as Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and North Eastern States, A&N Islands, Lakshadweep and ITDP areas.

For setting up of Food Processing Training Centres, the Ministry provides financial assistance of Rs. 6 lakhs i.e. Rs. 4.00 lakhs for fixed capital costs and Rs. 2.00 lakhs as revolving seed capital for Single Product Line Centre and Rs. 15 lakhs i.e. Rs. 11.00 lakhs for Fixed capital costs and Rs. 4.00 lakhs as revolving seed capital for setting up of Multi Product Line Centre.

(c): The state wise details of financial assistance provided by the Ministry for setting up of Food Processing units during each of the last 3 years and the current year at Annexure − I and that of FPTCs at Annexure − II.

(d): The Ministry is taking up various initiatives like conducting awareness programmes, workshops, seminars, publicity in the print media for inviting applications for setting up of Food Processing Training Centres in the country.